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ADVERTISEMENT THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED. NOTICE.

HAVE this day RESUMED the duties of THE Company's Steamship A SECRETARY of the Company. By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE. Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1897. JEWELLERS

MANILA CIGARS for SALE No. 96, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Hongkong, 16th February, 1897.

PUBLIC AUCTION,

THE Undersigned has received Instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION THIS DAY

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Hon. Secretary. ... Honglong, 16th February, 1897.

FOR THE MAIL. IT HE HONGKONG WEEKLYPRESS WILL bo ready to morrow and will contain:

Leading Articles :--Hongkong and the Postal Contribution. Smallpox and Quarentine. The New Chinese Postal Service. Mr. Lowder on Female Virtue.

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CONVOCATION OF EMERGENCY of VICTORIA CHAPTER will be hold at the Freemasons' Hall on FRIDAY the 19th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited to Hongkong, 16th February, 1897.

EOTHEN MARK LODGE,

REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL on WEDNES. DAY, the 24th just, at 8.30 for 9 r.m. precisely. Visiting Brothren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 16th February, 1897. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

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TOTICE is hereby given that Messienre MAIISLAND SON and COMPANY, Sening Cotton Manufacturers, carrying on business at Manchestor, in England, have this Blended by Cutters; PARMER & Co. Moderate day applied to His Excellency the Governor; under the provisions of Ordinances Nos. 16 of 1878 and 20 of 1895, for leave to register a certain TRADE MARK in series in the Office of the Colonial Feeretary in the name of the said MARSDAND SON and COMPANY.

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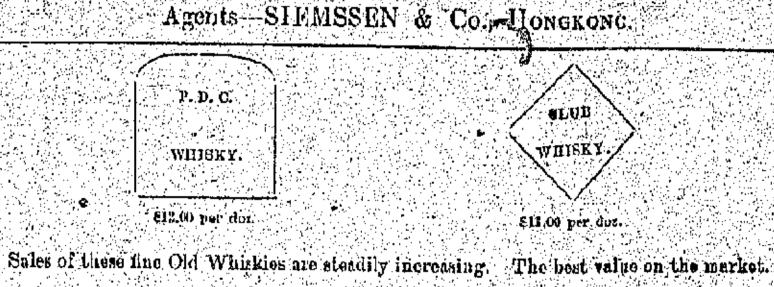
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Central. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Dated Hongkong, 15th December, 1896. [286] BANK HOLIDAYS.

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NORTH CHINA INSURANCE Co., LD. $\mathbf{W}.\ \mathbf{H}.\ \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{Y}.$ Secretary, CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE Co., SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, GEORGE L. TOMLIN, Acting Secretary, CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

WM. MACBEAN, Manager, THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD. Hongkong, 12th February, 1897.

PERSEVERANCE X X LODGE OF HONGKONG. REGULAR MEETING of the PERSEVERANCE LODGE will be

at the FREEMABONS' HALL, TO-NIGHT (TUESDAY), the 16th inst. at 8.30 for 9.00 r.m. precisely Visiting Bre-thren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 11th February, 1897. WANTED. WANTED 100 Mon of all Nationalities to Compete in the GRAND INTER-

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inches in length by 21 in width, or 5 by 41 or 84 by 61. Any readable type may be used and the author is to arrange the advertisement in regard to form and type as may render it most attractive. 2.-Advertisements marked "Prize Competition" on the cover must be sent in to the undersigned not later than the 15th April 3.—The competition may be in prose or verse. 4 .- The award will be made within ton days, that

is, on or before 26th April; and the prize advertise mems will be published in due course; the right of publication of the contributions of non-prize-winners | being reserved. 5. Competitors who prefer that their names should not be made public should express their design at the foot of their contributions, furnishing a cluber with their address in separate cover. 6.—Any information required may be had or personal application to the Shanghai Office. Pro-.-Contributions to be addressed to

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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES: CLEARANCES AT THE HARROUR MASTER'S OFFICE, 15TH FEBRUARY.

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Amoy, German str., for Iloilo. DEPARTURES. Feb. 15, Inene, German erniser, for a cruise. Fab. 15, CHOYSANG, British str., for Shanghai. Feb. 15, HUNAN, British str., for Saigon. Fob. 15, INDEPENDENT, Ger. str., for Saigon.

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At the General Hospital, Shanghai, on the 11th February, 1897, Audizio Francisco DE Sa, aged

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 16th, 1897. THE demand made by the home Government for an increase in the contribution o this colony to the cost of the mail subsidy is no new thing, the same question having been very exhaustively debated in 1883 and 1884. The claim for a contribution from the colony was first advanced in 1879, the amount then asked being £13,771, gone on for some time the subject came forward for public discussion in the years above mentioned. The result was communicated to the Legislative Council in a financial minute in which the Governor (Sir George F. Bowen) recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$63,000 " payment of the contribution due from "the Imperial Treasury on the Eastern "mail service from the 1st of February. "1883, to the 31st December, 1884, at the papers on this subject which had already been presented the Council been under the consideration of Her Majesty's Government, successive Secretaries of State had done their utmost to obtain the assent of the Imporial Treasury to a reduction of the sum originally put forward as this colony's share of the

vernment had now been communicated, and Lord DERBY's words were quoted as follows: The Lords of the Treasury have finally "consented to an arrangement by which the "Government of Hongkong shall contribute "at the proposed rate of £6,000 from the "1st February, 1883, only, the claim for the every information about weights and measures, "arrears of this increased payment for the "period anterior to that date being waived." The claim for the full loss has now again been advanced, and the amount, according to report, has risen from £13,771 to £16,000. Presumably the larger sum has been arrived is neatly got up and the directory portion at at on the same principle as the smaller sum of eighteen years ago, namely, that this colony should bear the whole of the loss on the section of the mail service between influence, signed at London on loth January. Singapore and Hongkong.

loss, the final decision of the Imperial Go-

When the subject was under discussion on the former occasion it was referred to the Chamber of Commerce, and the Committee of that body passed the following resolutions:-1st .- That the curplus revenue derived from the Post

Office in Hongkong, notwithstanding that the rates of postage are higher than those charged by the French Post Office in Shanghai, on correspondence by Mesengeries boats being only \$9,000 annually, it is manifestly impossible for the Post Office to boar the increased burthen which the proposed impost would throw upon 2nd .- That the question is being agitated among the

mercantile community as to the policy of sub-eldising any special line or lines of steamers between this colony and Europe, considering the numerous means of direct and speedy steam. communication now available. rd.—That in the event of any further payment

being required from the colony towards the cost of the subsidy the means could only be obtained either by an increase of the rates of postage or from some other brauch of the revenue such as stamps, which would enhance the taxation on trade, already too onerous, and the Chamber protests in the strongest manner against the proposed measure, and still more against any retrospective payment on account As to the second of the above resolutions.

the Chamber was not long in arriving at a definite opinion adverse to the agitation re ferred to, for when in the following year its opinion as to the policy of continuing the mail subsidy was solicited the Committee replied that they were " of epinion that the general "advantages derived by the public from the present system of subsidising a mail "service have been very great and have "fully justified the cost at which the mails "have been carried with such singular "regularity and freedom from casualty." There can be little doubt, we think, that the reply of the Chamber would be the same GLASS BOTTLES to-day if the question were repeated and that the discontinuance of the mail subsidy would only be recommended in the

event of the cost proving prohibitive.

whether the colony can afford the contribution now asked by the Imperial Government, or whether there are any grounds on which death of a boat girl, whose body was found on a reduction may be urged. On the former occasion £6,000 per annum was accepted Chungchau in connection with the affair. It instead of the £13,700 claimed, and although is supposed that the girl was assaulted and then we may, not be successful in altogether escaping an increase now there may still be some possibility of keeping the amount within moderate limits. In England the Post Office yields a substantial revenue, whereas in Hongkong it barely covers expenses, and the payment of £16,000 a year would, we believe, cause the establishment to show a dead loss amounting to some Kick-off at 4.45 p.m. sharp. Navy will five or six per cent. of the total revenue of be represented by:-R. E. Stokes-Rees, back; Comr. Sir R. K. Arbuthnot, R.N., the colony from all sources. It is an unheard of thing that any State should carry M. C. Allenby, R.N. three-quarters; on its postal service at such a cost as that, and it may fairly be urged upon the home Government that the subsidised mail service exists more in the interests of Great Britain's enormous commerce in the Far East than in the local interests of this colony, that the Imperial Government should therefore bear the bulk of the cost, and that the halves: A. D. H. Grayson, R.A., H. W. Slade amount demanded from Hongkong should not be so large as to leave the colony. working its Post Office at a dead loss. is needless to dwell on the importance ofgreat commercial nation maintaining ade-

retard their natural development. The protest which the Colts proposed to lodge against the Royal Engineers on the ground of rough play in Saturday's football 221 match has been abandoned.

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dependencies or on the impolicy of bleeding

those dependencies to such an extent as to

A Football match was played at Happy Valley on Saturday between the St. Joseph's Football Club and the Queen's College Football Club and resulted in a win for St. Joseph's by 8 goals to nil.

A European employe at the Tourane coal mines, named Carpentier, committed suicide the other day by exploding a dynamita cartridge in his mouth. Needless to say death. was instantaneous and there were not many remains to inter. Carpentier had shown signs of mental derangement.

Messra. John D. Humphreys & Son inform us that they have received the following telegram from their mining manager in Australia :-"Have struck Euroka Reef at a depth of 200 feet; prospects are encouraging; removing Balmoral Company battery alongside Olivers. The mill will work night and day."

The French steamer Canton, which recently struck a rock and foundered near Tourane, will we learn from Tonkin papers, probably be raised, the divers having found the damage not very serious. It is said the Compagnic Nationals, to which the vessel belongs, wil treat with a Hongkong Company for her

Yesterday afternoon Surgeon Colonel Evatt delivered a lecture before the Odd Volumes Society on "The care of the British Army in War," Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., occupied the chair and there was a large attendance. The lecture was attentively listened to and the lecturar was frequently appleaded. At the and after departmental correspondence had close a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Colonel Evatt.

Referring to a football match at Shanghai Sport and Gossip says :- Bikes in great numbers crowded on to the scene, ridden both by ladies and gentlemen. One bike, bearing gentleman intimately connected with f.p.s. and w.s. rates, shied and ran away, "landing" in the creek encircling the cricket ground. The rider was resoued by a representative of the deep see cable who arrived in the nick of time. "Hongkong to lessen the loss sustained by I have not yet heard if there is to be a general

A mystery of the Carew case that was left unsolved by the trial was the discovery of white argenio at the post mortem, no white argenic "the rate of £6,000 per annum." His having been traced to the house. On this point Excellency in his minute said that from the Japan Gasette Bays .- We believe the explanation to be very simple. We have interviewed Mr. Schedel and he has confirmed a theory which we held, that by careless dispensing aware that since 1879 this question had that is to say by the use of common potash and negligent filtering, it would be quite possible, nay more it would be very probable, that minute particles of white arsenic might be present in suspension in the arsenio dispensed by the Japanese chemist, and as three ounces were purchased all the specks found by Dr. Divers might easily have been derived from the Fowler's solution, although arsenio once in solution could not by any possibility crystallize into white arsenic.

> We have received a copy of the Eighth Annual issue of the Directory for Bangkok and Sinm for 1897, printed and published at the Bangkok Times Office. We cannot better describe this work than by giving the title page. which describes it as a handy reliable book of reference for all classes, with calendars and Siamese festivals, postage and telegraph tariffs. treation, notes on the ancient and moderu history of Siam, and including official and general directories, corrected up to date of publication. These make it invaluable for residents in Siam and for those baving intimate business relations with that country. The book legat seems well up to date. In view of the Amourdaria.

tiess and encreaching tendencies of our dench friends we would suggest the inclusion in next issue of the declaration by Great Britain and France respecting spheres of

There were 4.115 visitors to the City Hall Museum last week, of whom 205 wer Europeans.

A Masonic Quadrille Farty, under auspices of the United Service and St. John's Lodges, is to be held on the 25th February. The stoomship Melbourne, with the next French mail, left Haigon yesterday, the 15th inst, at 2 p.m., for this port.

A subscription list has been opened at Yoko hama in aid of Miss Jacob. The subscriptions acknowledged in the first list amounted to \$1,250, consisting of eleven of \$100 cach and three of fifty.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hespitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals :-Fresh Fish Guild ... \$30

The Band of the West Yorkshire Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess this evening :--. Overture... "Hungariau" Kela Bela "Son Breeze" Wheeler. Selection ... "La Vio Parisienne" Offenhach: Aria "Lucia di Lammermoor"..... Donizetti. Frühlings Lieder"..... Selection ... "Cavalleria Rusticana".

The French squadron in the Far East is, says the Avenir du Tonkin, to undergo a change. The Descartes and the Pascal, ornisers of the first class, the Eclaireur, a cruiser of the third class, and the new gunboat Surprise will arrive in a few weeks. The Descurtes is already on her way, having left Brest on the 1 ith January. The Descartes and the Pascal will replace the Alger, which is about leaving for France, and the Isly, which will follow her in a month or two.

We are informed that an animal resembling a medium sized tiger was seen near the reservoir at Kowloon on Sunday Inst at about 6.30 p.m. Ho was fired at after a pause of about 2 minutes, relead the gun and advancing tive paces nearer. He was during the time quiet and steady in a standing position looking towards the road, and fire was caused by the upsetting of a pet of tar fowling piece at a distance of about 35 paces. he slowly turned back, went on, and disappeared The question therefore presents itself

> At the Police Court yesterday a Chinaman was charged on suspicion with causing the Friday near Aplichau, Aberdeen. Another man has been arrested by the Chinese authorities at thrown into the water, and in support of this theory the water police heard cries near the spot where the murder was probably committed. They searched the waters at the time but it was not until the following morning that the body was discovered. The prisoner charged with the murder has been remanded.

.This afternoon on the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play the Navy under Rugby rules. Both teams are strong and an excellent game will be witnessed D. L. Dent, R.N., H. W. James, R.N., and L. Shelford, R.N. and C. F. Thorp, R.N. halves; H. P. Jones, R.N., A. L. Cay, R.N. W. Boden-Smith, R.N., E. C. Carver, R.N. H. F. Cayley, R.N., E. Stevenson, W C. Stevens, and J. F. Maidlow, forwards Referee :- Commander A. W. Waymouth, R.N. Club team :- A. G. Ward, full back; P. G. Davies, R.A., M. H. Logan, W.Y.R., T. N Howard, W.Y.R., and A. S. Anton three-quarters; A. C. Padday and C. W. Gordon, W.Y.R. C. C.B. Tow, W.Y.R., M. D. Wood, W.Y.R. O. B. Stewart, E. C. Creagh, Ryall, W.Y.R. and G. H. Potts (Captain), forwards. Yesterday afternoon Commander Hastings

held the inquest on the body of Johannes Petersen, shipbroker, whose body was found in the harbour on Saturday morning. The deceased, who first came to the colony about four years ago, was a shipbroker, and he returned here from Amoy on the 7th inst. He had previously been to Formesa and intended to go home, but he obtained a position in the firm of Messrs. Lamke and Rogge. He lived with a friend at Roseneath, Kowloon, and was last seen in the house on the afternoon of the 12th inst., when haviour. He was not in straitened circumstances so promptly checked. A large number of a prodential arrangement against exceptional but had complained of an attack of fever at business gordomen, who were at the time losses, against which the reserve stand, to Amoy which confined him to his bed for nearly a fortnight. On the 12th inst he wrote a meaningless letter to Messrs. Lamke and Rogge containing accusations against members of the German Club, for which there was no foundntion. He also wrote a chit to two members of the Club which was very comfused and was The jury-Mesers, G. C. Fullerton, J. J. Leiria, and G. M. Gutierrez-returned a verdict of Owen's Road Central, at noon yesterday. Mr spicide whilst temporarily insane;

with which he was then treated by his English Michael. presence and assistance is now sought by the calling the meeting. to India by the earliest opportunity and it was is our desire to impress it most strongly the 18th February.

LATEST TELEGRAMS. FROM TONKIN PAPERS. GREECE AND THE CRETAN

INSURRECTION. Paris, 5th February.

of the disturbances round Canea. PARIS, 6th February. that the victims number three hundred. A part of the town has been fired. Foreign seamen have been landed to extinguish the

for the union of Crete. PARIS, 8th February.

The fire at Canea has been got under. Several villages in the environs have been burnt PARIS, 9th February. The Cretan insurgents have proclaimed union with Greece

Troubles continue in various parts. THE FRENCH SUGAR BOUNTIES Paris, 5th February. The Chamber has adopted the Sugar Bill THE HAMBURG STRIKE

PARIS, 7th February, The Hamburg strike has come to an end. WRECK OF A STEAMER. PARIS, 7th February. The British steamer City of Sova his

of persons were drawned. THE PLAGUE IN INDIA PARIS, 7th February. Plague has broken out at Candalar. Russians have established a military cordon at

foundered off the coast of Spain. A large number

THE FOOCHOW ARSENAL PARIS, 8th February. The French mission appointed at the request of China for the direction of the Foothew

Argenal has left Franco.

Sonor Navarro, the Spanish Consul court. ously informs us that he has received the following telegram

Manila, 14th February. His Excellency the Governor-General of the Philippines leaves to day to personally assume command as Ceneral in Chief, of the military operations in the province of Cavite. INDIAN FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

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FIRE AT THE GOVERNMENT OFFICES.Soon after nine o'clock yesterday morning telephone message was recolved at the Central Police Station from Government House stating that the Government Buildings were on fire On receipt of this rather alarming news the Fire Erigade, under Hon. F. H. May and Mr Corceron, turned out in full force and in an almost incredibly short time they were at the soone of the outbreak, while a large staff of police, under Inspector Baker, also promptly turned out. Happily the fire was not in itself building. For some time past considerable repairs have been in progress to the entire roof of the structure and the work had so far been completed that the tiles were being coated with tar, the said tar being boiled in a pot on the top of the roof in close

proximity to the workmen. We do not know whether the head officials were ignorant of this of accounts as presented to the meeting. highly dangerous procedure or whether they haste as possible two messengers and two coolies got out the fire hose from the despatch box which is always kept in the building and with the assistance of two or three overseors in the Public Works Department they played a plentiful supply of water upon the burning material. Volumes of smoke issued from the root and attracted the attention of Sergeant Collinson, who was on duty at Government House, and he imme-Soon after the outbreak Hon. F. A. Cooper. n preventing the spread of the figures; so much that by the time the Fire Brigade arrived

proceeding to their offices, witnessed the work THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

The lwenty-eighth ordinary meeting of shareclearly the production of a disordered brain. helders in the China Fire Insurance Company, in taking heavier risks. Your loans amount Limited was held at the Company's office, St. C. Michaelsen presided and there were also present - Messys. H. L. Dalrymple, A. McCon-The Avenir du Tonkin has an article on Dr. achie, D. R. Sassoon, N. A. Siebs, C S. Sharp, Yersin, in which the allegation that he was C. Berumann (Directors), G. L. Tomlin (Acting received with marked coldness by the medical Secretary), J. B. Conglitrie, G. Sharp, A. M. staff of Hongkong on his last visit here is once Roza Periera, P. Jordan, J. A. Carvalho, F. more repeated. But it is useless, says our Gove, J. Farrow, G. H. Potts, Chan Pat, Hon, contemporary, to return to this subject, for Dr. Wei Yuk, S. H. Michael, J. Thurburn, G. C. Yersin must feel amply avenged for the disduin Cox, J. H. Cox, C. Palmer, H. M. Melita, and J.R.

colleagues by the engorness with which his The Actino Scottragy read the notice Government of Bombay. The request for his the CHAIRMAN Goutlemen, the report and services was, it seems, made through the French statement of accounts having been in your Government, which sent a telegram to him hands for over a fortnight you will no doubt through the French Consul at Colombo to in now allow them to be taken as read. It gives tercept him there, the doctor being at the time on us much pleasure to meet you with such satishis way back to Tonkin from France... As he factory results for the year 1895, showing that could do nothing without a supply of serum, it after paying in interim dividend of \$5 per share was decided that he should continue his journey | in February last there remains a profit of to obtain a supply at his laboratory at Nhatrang, \$151,048.64 to be dealt with on this occasion. Annam. Before leaving for Europe he had This is in a great measure due to the loss ratio inoculated a large number of horses and he had to premie having fallen from 91.62 per cent calculated his period of absonce so that the in 1894 to 2735 per cent, only for the serum should be ready a few days after his year under review. We now propose to pay return. Having collected it he was to proceed a final dividend of \$6 per share, but expected that he would arrive at Bombay about your minds that you must not consider the Company in a position to distribute annually no loss than 45 per cent, on its capital and that it is only being done now in order to place our accounts, as far as dividends are concerned, on a sounder basis. After our experience with the 1894 account we could come to no other conclusion than that it was most decidedly unadvisable to pay interim dividends and we have taken the opportunity as early as possible Several villages have been burnt in the course of ulturing our system whilst not asking shareholders to accept a smaller dividend than

usual in consequence of our action. You must recollect, however, gentlemen, that The Mahonmedans of Canea have attacked the only way this monsure could be effected the Christians in the streets. It is believed was by foregoing any substantial increase to our reserve fund, and therefore you must be propaged at our next distribution of profits to see that account added to materially to make up for the small sum placed to its credit on the present occasion, provided of course that It is not so with this Company. The more PARIS, 7th February. the results will allow us to do so. As business they prosper the more prudent they become.

A lively agitation is in progress in Greece men you will readily follow me when I say that (Applause.) Prudence is the one great thing: a Fire Office cannot have too large a reserve fund-(hear, hear)-it being the security that our policy liolders look to when they come to us, and therefore so long as we continue to pay the handsome dividend of 30 per cent, on our paid up capital your Board are of the unanimous opinion that the rest should be set aside towards strongthening the Company's position, as it goes without saying that the stronger we are the more confidence the insuring public will have in ca. For the benefit of those not fully conversant with the business of a Fire Lusurance Office and who in consequence may fail to sue the objection to interim dividends. I might explain that taking our 1890 account as an example the balance of \$267,164.11 brought forward is subject to diminution through losses until the whole of the policies for that year have run off, und therefore it is impossible to say what our netual profit will be until the let January next, and such being the case I think you will all agree with me when I say that it is not a sound or business like principle to anticipate such profit by paying away in the shape of an interim dividend what has not been completely carned. Turning now, gentlemen, to the working account for the reat year we may wall congratulate you on the excellent results to date The balance brought forward bents any previous

record by some 822 000 and we can only hope

that it will not suffer to any serious extent

by losses between this and the end of the year.

THE PHILIPPINE REPELLION. | Higher than it has ever done before, in addition to which you must not lose sight of the fact that so muo, of our business is now done on not sums that we shall have less bonus to declare and therefore the gain is still greater than it would appear to be when comparing the figures with those of previous years. The formation of tariffs as mentioned at our last meeting, has extended during the past year and with one or two excontions they now exist in all parts in the Far East and work satisfactorily. Our gain in premium, you will be ploused to learn, is no due so much to an increase of business as better rates, and consequently a marked improvement is shown without much extra

liability being incurred. As regards interest

account we were a year ago afraid that this

would show a further falling off, but you

will have been glad to notice that the contrary

has been the case in fact this account has also reached a higher figure than in any past, year, and this in spite of the lower rates now ruling. The increase can however, be partly accounted for by the fact that we have reduced our fixed deposits and added to our mortgages and other securities and partly by the fact of our funds being larger than in 1895; and whilst on this subject it gives me much pleasure to inform you that our surveyors have recently reported on the proporties under mortgage to us and we are fully satisfied that there is ample security against our loans. Of the other accounts I need only point out that the inorease in commission account necessarily follows the gain in premium. It is, however, satisfactory to note on the other hand that our expenses have not grown larger, but are in fact less than in the preceding year, and in regard to losses account you will observe that we

have been fairly fortunate, and it is pleasing to be able to inform you that up to date the account has only been increased by some \$1,200, from fires which have cocurred since end of the year. I think there is scarcely anything more for me to add than that our secretary, whom you all will be glad to see back (applause) -has just returned from leave and that serious, but it was quite serious enough, for it the large Indian cities to report on the i.e., the time taken to observe it well to open it had gained a few moments more headway advisability of an expansion of the Company's the bag for a big shot cartridge, to unload and it is most probable that a considerable part of business in those parts, and this matter will the Offices would have been destroyed. The shortly receive our careful attention. Mr. Tomlin, who has been acting as secretary during the absence of Mr. Coughtrie will go whon fired at with a shot cartridge from a 20 bore which was being boiled on the roof of the home on leave some time next month for a verandah near the South-cast corner of the well earned holiday and it gives me very much pleasure in expressing the Directors great appreciation of his services, in which I have no doubt sharcholders will cordially join. (applause) Before proposing the adoption of the report and statement of accounts I shall be happy to answer any question relating to than that you may desire to put to me. There were no questions and the CHAIRMAN moved the adoption of the report and statemen

Mr. G SHARP-Mr. Chairman and gentle acquiesced in it in order to facilitate the man, in speaking to the resolution which has progress of the work by saving the Chinese just been proposed I may be permitted to coolies the trouble of taking the boiling liquid allude to an incident which occurred from the ground to the roof, but be that as it | Saturday. In looking amongst some old papers may, it is to be hoped the practice will be at for a currency memorial which I promoted once stopped. As soon as the pot overturned the some twenty years ago I turned up a memo. the caught fire and run ander the tiled roof and of some names of those who were to be called instantly set the rafters ablace. With as much upon to sign it, and on turning over the paper I found it was written on the back an old share quotation list of 1872. In this the price of the China Fire Shares upon \$100 paid up was just half of what it is now upon \$20 paid up, to which they have been subdivided; so that in fact our stock during the last twenty-five years has increased very nearly T. Arnold and S. G. Bird for re-election, a-thousand per cont, upon which fact we may well congratulate ourselves, (Appleuse). This is, diately telephoned to the Central Police Station. indeed, a record report. There are not many here who remember the first start of this Com-Mr. H. P. Tooker, overseers Coyle and Pearson, pany. A number of people in Hongkong then and Quartermaster Sergeant Watling were on questioned the wisdom of insurance in the the spot and they all rendered excellent service. China Fire. They said, "Better give your risks to an outside company that has fewer hexards in the street than to the China Fire there was practically no serious danger to be which has so many. In the event of a serious apprehended. One man, Inspector Fisher, of misfortune will they be able to pay up all their the Sanitary Department, had a narrow escape lesses? In these days our fires did not consist, of very bad injuries. He saw liquid falling as they frequently do now, of putting out, say, a from the roof and imagining it was water first floor fire at a cost of \$250 to the Insurance rushed forward in order to save a number of Company, but occasionally they used to start at papers which were in the verandal. This the Clock Tower and leave off at the Sailors liquid was molten lead from the top of the Home, (Laughter.) I notice in the report that vorandali, but fortunately Fisher perceived its you have \$15,000 downfor re-insurances, L donot real nature just in time. About nine rafters know what the Hongkong Fire amount is for this and other woodwork in the roof were charred year, but I see for 1895 they had \$5,000. Their before the fire was finally extinguished, and it is | premis receipts being about the same as ours,

stated that it will cost \$200 to make good the da- it appears we are three times more prudent than mage. Immediately under this part of the roof is they. Well now, what are these re-insurances? I the Colonial Secretary's correspondence office and take it that they are the annual payment on owing to the large quantity of wood in the roof wode part to secure immunity in the case of and verandahs and the heavy stock of paper in serious, large, and heavy losses which would the office this place, at any rate, must have interfere with the usual dividend; they are anbeen utterly destroyed if the fire had not been much payments for an equalization of dividends. luded, is also to provide. Without a substantial reserve fund and without re-insurance it would be altogether imprudent to accept heavy risks. As the Chairman said, on insurance office cannot have too large a reserve fund. I think so too. Thus as our reserve increases we need not re-insure so much because we are justified to something like \$800,000. You loan your money and you lean your reserve fund and if I understand correctly, you grant fire risks upon the securities which you take: Now, if it were not for the reserve fund it. might be questioned whether it were wise to take risks upon securities for loans. But with such a reserve fund you are amply justified, and the larger the fund the greater the justification. Speaking of mortgages, these advances upon carefully selected properties at interest of 50 per cent, beyond that which the

Bank deposits give us are excellent, and in the By sharoholders for 12,500 shares of \$125 selection of these securities I know very well a seach fully paid-up great deal of care is taken. You have the By reserve fund pick of the market. In fact the information By Admiralty loan £20,000.0.0 which your Scoretary and your Directors have in the matter of property is something exceptional, and it increases ever year. The losses which have been incurred in the pro- By Admiralty loan exchange adjustment at per ties which have been taken over have been infinitesimal. They are very small bargains that the public have got out of the sale of your unredeemed pledges. I was fortunate on one occasion myself, but I do not expect another chance, Laughter) The Chairman has referred to tariffs and the Association. Tun not sure that your Company is in need of such an Association. The local companies can stand alone without the assistance of others. They do not want any concurrence or any aid from outside comunies, and being deprived, as they are by lio Association, of that discretion which they are so amply and exceptionally qualified to To office expenses, salaries, stationery, and use. I think it may be a question whether the Hongkong Fire Insurance Association is to the advantage of the China Fire and the Hongkong Fire: but the Directors know best. There is no doubt that the circumspection with which Company has been managed for over twenty-eight years is most remarkable. It generally happens that in good times when things are prosperous there is just a little comfortable relaxation of strict business rules and every. thing goes swimmingly. Further prosperity and that liberty which has been onjoyed degenerate into licence. Risks and contares are

too readily undertaken; misfortune comes; a reuotion takes place, and the fat is in the fire Prudence is the foundation stone of insurance; prudence provides the material for its superstructure; prudence is its canopy and its protaction; prudence is its top stone and its crown. I concur most cordially with the Chairman's views as to making a large appropriation to the reserve fund out of the profits of the last year, when they are in hand. I have very tauch pleasure, gentlemen, in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts. (Applause.) The CHATRMAN-I have no doubt you have all listened with great interest to Mr. Sharp's

remarks and as he has such good information, is such a large property holder that I hope he will favour the China Fire with many risks The resolution was then put and carried Mr. PALMER proposed the confirmation of the election of Mossre. Sharp and Bearmann as

Mr. Gove seconded: Mr. JUEDAN proposed the re-election Mossra, A. McConachio and D. R. Sassoon as Directors. Hon, Wet Yuk seconded.

Corried Mr. CARVATHO seconded.

confirment Littenk you for your attendance. You will motice that premium account again Dividend warrants will be ready on the 22nd I shows a steady advancy and this time it stands inst.

CO., LIMITED.

The following is the report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co. Limited, to the ordinary yearly meet ing of shareholders, to be held at the offices of B Company, on Monday next To the shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company, Limited. Gentlement The directors have now to submit to you their report, with a statement of occounts for the half-year ended Sist December

The total receipts for the six mouths are \$1,507,727.79, and the net profit ofter paying inferest due and all charges, amounts to o which has to be added the balance rought forward from last account 156,969,13

and from this have to be deducted Auditors' fees

leaving available for appropriation \$598,369.34 The Directors recommend that a dividend for the half year of 8 per cont. or \$125,000 and a bonus of 4 per cent. or \$62,500 together equal ling \$187,500 be paid to the shareholders, a bonus of \$20,000 to contributing shareholders, s bonus of 320,500 to the European staff of the Company, that \$43,475.95 be written from the value of Kowloon Docks, \$17,779.68 from Cosmeholitan Docks, that \$200,000 be passed to reserve fund, and the balance \$104,104.71 be corried to new account.

The business of the Company having largely ncreased during the last few years, it has been found necessary to provide greater facilities at the Kowleon establishment; therefore steps are now being taken to acquire more land to the morth west of our present boundary in order to give the additional space required. The Slip No. 1 underwent a careful inspec-

tion last month, when it was found that all the woodwork under water had been destroyed by space than had been expected, signs that the the teredo, so that the whole of it must be Jury had agreed began to be discorbible. The renewed. The estimated cost of this repair Chief Clerk of the Court, Mr. C. D. Moss, will amount to about \$25,000 and the time to entered, followed by Mr. Wilkinson. Then complete the work and have the slip ready for came Mr. Litchfield, and finally Mr. Lowder. service will be about six-months: modern type have been added to the saw mill and a minute a clatter of feet on the paved engineering establishments which enabled us in stones leading to the. Court's private entrance a measure to evertake the pressure of work on amnounced that the jury were returning. The The docks, workshops, and engineering plant steady nicroing eyes, awaited the words that

have been maintained in the highest state of were to restore her to liberty or condemn her to efficiency, and are all in excellent working a felon's doom. The Clerk of the Court formally

on the Board. The appointment requires to pounded the next momontous question. Mr. Patbe confirmed at this meeting. In accordance with clause 60 of the articles calm, firm type that recalls the old Covenanters, of association, Messra Siebs and Van Buren | replied - "Guilty." The silence that ensued retire by rotation, but being eligible offer was terrible. The face of the accused became themselves for re-election. Mr. St. C. Michaelsen has been appointed lines of her lips changed to chalky white her Chairman for the year 1897.

Thomas Arnold and Fullarton Henderson, Mr. why sentence should not be pronounced upon her, G. Bird having left the colony on loave of absence. The Directors recommend Messri. ST. C. MICHAELSEN, Chairman

CAPITAL ACCOUNT, JULY TO DECRETER, 1596. 31st Dea, 1896. To value of Abordeoil Dooks, as per last To value of Kowloon Docks, as per last statement \$1,074,60231 Less amount since written of 21,602.31 Amount paid for extension of Kowloon Marine Lot Amount paid during past ala montha on account of 16 new houses Amount paid repairing ty-phood damage to boiler Value of now machines added during post six Composition Dook.

ha for last statement 275.489.98 Less amount since written of 25,489.98 250,000.00 mount paid on account of Dew zon wall and axtena on during past dimonths 8,009.68 new European quartors, Value of new muchines addedduring past finenths Tug, Lnunches, and Laghters. value of "Fame as por last account value of 12 steam lounches, 1 steam lighter, and boats as per last assount 31,486.00 Lessemountsigeowrittenoff To fixed deposit with Hongkong and Shang. To 5 shares China Fire Insurance Company,

To cost of material on hand ... £12,782.13,11 @ 2,14 balance of profit brought forward from last account 156,909.13

To Hongkong and Shanghal Bank, cash on

Blat Dec. 1808. REVENUE ACCOUNT. To cost of labour, instorial, and working expenses at the Company's three establish To fire insulance To Crown rent To drawing office exponents and salaries

By gross carnings of the Company's three

CORRESPONDENCE We do not hold currelyes responsible for the

opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

ENGLISH MAIL NOTICES AT THE POST OFFICE. TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS Sip,-As the days and dates of arrival and departure of the mails for and from England each week are of much public interest I desire to suggest that a painted notice board lettered so largely as to be seen by all passers by should he enspended outside the Post Office stating when the mail was expected and also when it

why this has not long since bean done - Yours Hongkong, 15th February, 1897.

The military autocar of Mr. E. J. Penning. ton, the English inventor, is mounted on wheels with four inch solld rubber tires, is driven by a 16 horse-power engine, and carries two rapid. firing gans with suitable shields for the two operators. A speed of 45 miles an hour is said to be possible, the kuns cack provided with Mr. THURBURN proposed the re-election of 500 rounds of ammunition-being capable of Missis W. M. Polis and J. H. Coxas auditors. Bring at the variable rate of 50 to 700 rounds a minute with the car in motion or at rest. If desired the guin can be rotated automati-The CHAIRMAN-That is all the business, | cally during firing; and, in case of the operators being shot after firing is commenced, they will expressed in this country act the action of Mr. continue in operation until the ammunition is Walford, one of Mrs. Carew's counsel, who has

THE CLUSING SCHNE IN THE CAREW CASE. Never has so solemn and impressive a scene

been enacted in a Consular Court in Yokohama

as that which on Monday afternoon, lat Pebruary, aloned the last public act of the Caraw tracedy so far as concerns the unfortunato lady new convicted of murder. The day had been dark and dreary from the morn-Drizzing rain fell from a sullin, murky The cold was nicering when the proceedings began but as the hours were on the atmosphere inside the little Court room seemed o grow stifling and offwessive, the excitement if all within rising to fover heat. His Lordship took his root shortly after bulf-past ton, and at once began his phurge to the jury, speaking until a little before twelve o'clock, when the Court rese for lunch. The intensity of suppressed feeling that manifested itself at the outset was allayed somewhat by the calm stately tones of the Judge, as he delivered with, torrible incidity the ornshing arguments of his charge. Hut, in the afternoon, evidences of the painful suspense under which the audience laboured could not be concessed. The acoused woman, haggard, thin, and careworn, her lips tightly compressed, bor frame rigid with nervous energy, could scarcely be seen behind the acreen that shut off the back of the prisoner's dock, but to the Judge, the jury, and the journalists who sat faoing her, the great and shocking change wrought in her appearance by long torture on the rack of suspense was painfully visible. Behind the Bench, and at the side where the jury sat, the windows were balf draped with dark blue curtains, and these added to the gloom of the darkened Court room. At twenty-five minutes past two the Judge con-Juded his summing up, and with a few minutes

the Jury had left the Court The Judge then left Court. He was followed ont by the Counsel for the Crown, Mr. H. S. Wilkinson and Mr. H. C. Litchtield. The prisoner's Counsel, Mr. J. F. Lowder, looking worn and anxious, remained a short time, to address a few cheering words to his unhappy elient. Then he, too, left. Slowly the minutes ticked themselses away, but within a briefer Anxiety was depicted on every face. At During the year a few new machines of a three o'clock the judge entered, and within

acoused stood up and, with parted lips and put the question to the jury "Gentlemen the jury have you agreed apon your verdict?" Mr. J. Kramer have left the colony, Mr. C. The answer was in the affirmative. Then, his Bearmann has been invited to the vacant seed voice quivering with emotion, the Clerk proterson; foreman of the Jury a Scotohman of that over-spread with a ghastly dall blue tint; the eyes assumed the look of an animal stricken to death: her hands clutched convulsively at the The accounts have been audited by Mossrs, dock. Asked whether she had anything to say the roplied, in a voice whose husky drillness contrasted painfully with her wonted tones, "No," and sank back exhausted into her chair. The Judge then sat upright in his place. It could be seen by all that he mastered his emotion with the greatest difficulty. First he informed Mr. Lowder that the sentence he was about to pronounce-the sentence that must always follow such a verdiet -could not be carried out unless the Court were so instructed by Sir Ernest Satow. Her Majesty's Representative in Japan, under his own hand and seal. Then, amid on even more painful silence, he assumed the three cornered black cap, slwnys donned by British Judges when about to pass capital sentence. In a voice broken and trombling he uttered the words of doom, the final sentence of all- May God have mercy upon your soul being searcely audible. Thus Edith May Hallowell Carew, the bright, at tractive, religed lady, whom so many in this small community have known intimately, and so many have been happy to call their friend, passed from the pale of the society that she once graced; stapped down, a condemned felon, with the sentence of a shameful death ringing in her ears. There were some

whose inorbid carlosity so far overpowered their feelings of humanity, that they waited to see her descend the steps of the Court to the sombre vehicle which carried her back to gool. We can only hope that a chance of mercy is suggested by the words of the Judge in prefacing the sentence of death. This hope has been fulfilled—ED. B.P. if falls within the competence of Sir Ernest Satow to save this most unhappy woman from 267,779.68 the gallows, he will be laying up a blessed memory for himself and earning the strong approval and gratitude of his nationals by exercising his power in the cause of clemency Justice demands no such shocking sacrifice as her killing Who shall venture to gauge the suffering that drove her to a deed so des perate? If she sinned, she was also deeply sinned against. The story of her life is before us. The giddiness, the moral instability, the love of admiration, that marked some of her acts are they not sins to which an onvironment such as that of her daily existence. is only too apt to betray human beings ! For the sake of her family for the sake of her children; for the sake of the friends that still have the courage and constancy to support her; for the sake of the repentance that she can work out by years of patient effort, we must all hope that mercy will be substituted for vengeance. Civilization is happily leading the world farther and farther from the stern law of equal retaliation, and teaching as the truth of the old

> moderation.—Japan Mail. YRS. OAREW'S SOMERSET TIONE. The Wellington Weekly News in a recent issue had the following reference to the Carew

> principle that the virtue of justice consists in

During the wock the excitement in Somerse and Cornwall has been intensified by the receipt of fresh advices respecting the alleged polsoning of Mr. Carew, of Cornwall, by his wife, formerly Miss Edith May Porch, of Somerset. Theaccused lady was born in Glastonbury, Somerset, some thirty years ago, and her father, Mr. J. A. Porch, is now the Mayor of that place. Mrs. Carew was well known throughout the country, and whilst at home was received by the best society. Under these circumstances, the greatest sympathy is manifested toward the parents, who were prostrated by the receipt of the startling news, whilst fresh advices from Japan are a vaited with anxiety. Mrs. Carow was in England L recently as two years since when she came home from Yokohams to see her mother and father: The ecent was an auspicious one, and her entry into the old-fashioned town of Glastonbury was one f triumph. Being known among rich and poor, her popularity had not suffered, despite her long absence from her birthplace. Upon her arrival at the railway station she mot with a most enthusiastic reception, and a long procession was formed to escort her to her own home. The own band headed the pageout, and the structs were resplendent with logs. At various points arches were erected, the cost being borne by the inhabitants. Mr. Carew stayed at her parents home at Edgerley for some montas, during which time che took advantage of the opportunity to renew her acquaintance with her friends and those who know bor. The inquiries that are being made in this country have not, so far as can be ascertained, tended to produce any evidence likely to be of service during the trial of Mrs. Carew. All her friends believed her to be happy with her husband and they express the opinion that she is immodent of the terrible charge that she has to meet. In Yokohama she was received into the best exciety, whilst she had gained a fair reputation as an amatour actress. Though the appointmont of Mr. Carew as manager of the Yokowould leave the colony. I do not understand bame United Club was not very lugrative, his wife had private means, which permitted them to take advantage of the pleasures afforded by association with the highest and most influential people of the city. Mrs. Carew's private income in £400 a year, and it has just been assectained that Mr. Porch, her father, has unnually sent her a cheque for £100. It is a fact of some note that the charge of murder was not

preferred against Mr. Carew until five days after the inquest on her husband. The decision of the jury was to the effect that death was due to armenical possoning, no evidence being produond to show by whom it was administered: The arrest and subscarent charge against her therefore quisad much comment. Regret is refused to further act for the accused on account

DR. HAPPKINE'S PLAGUE PROPHYLACTIO

Bombay, 21st January. Dr. Haffkine line succeeded in claborating a vaccino as a prophylactiv for the playde. He experimented with it on himself without undergoing any greater inconvenience than a stight attack of fever raising the temperature to los degrees Fahrenheit, and a shight liendache, both disappearing within twenty-four hours. Several medical mon have been inoculated with the vaccine with very similar effects. Dr. Hallkine has communicated the results of the experiment in a letter which was read before the Standing Committee of the Municipality vestorday. Mr. Snow, the Commissioner, after a rensultation with Dr. Weir, proposed to issue a small quantity of the vaccine to a certain number of medical practitioners with the request that they would carefully watch the effect of the application of the vaccine and report on it to the Houlth Officer and Dr. Haffkine. The vaccine is not a curative serum but a protective lymph, which

will to a cortain extent enable the system to offer resistance to an attack of babonic fever. A supply of vaccine can be obtained by anplication to Professor Haffkine at the Peti Laboratory, Jamsetji Hospital. The following is the text of Professor Haffkine's letter to the Corporation; " I have the honour to communicate the following facts relating to the problem of protective inoculation present researches I have found different media.

cultures is shown by the fact that one or two manship. Daquires solicited for any of the minims are sufficient to communicate certain, above of the complete plant of any kind of death to the largest rodents. The destruction machinery. of the bacilli in culture by delicate processes such as the addition of essence of mustard, of very weak solution of carbolic acid, or by desiccation or by beat deprives these cultures of their fatal properties and makes a desc of 40, to 50 times bigger than a fatal one quite harmless to animals. But while depriving the cultures of their noxious proporties the above processes leave to them the power of protection. Rodents which have had an injection of such cultures which microbes killed in them) when injected five days after prophylactic treatment stand easily a dose of living virus which would be fatal. to ten other not so protected animals. "Having established these facts I caused myselt to be inoculated on the 10th of this month to observe the symptoms of this operation in man. The injection was done in the FECT as it is possible to make a Brilliann flanks with ten onbio continue res of a outtine in which microbes were killed by treatment during an hour at a temperature of 70 degrees

Centigrade. The symptoms produced consisted in pain at the seat of inoculation and in a rise of temperature. The highest point reached was blace your order with as. 102 degrees Fahrenheit 81 hours after the injection, which was accompanied by a slight head—them to you in three weeks from date of their ache and a feeling of faintness. The tempera- receipt ture got again normal twenty-four hours later. The bowels remained normal. Pain at the sout of inoculation was mostly felt next morning while getting up from bed. It extended on the left side to the region above Compart's ligament and on the right towards the axilla without reaching it since. Next day the pain gradually disappear vi, a small nodule remained at the seat of the in the tion but got rapidly 273] absorbed. These symptoms thow the perfect harmlessness of the operation. The observations made in the laboratory lend to the conclusion that the inoculation as described

above will increase the resistance of man against the disease, but the extent of that protection and the modifications to be jutroduced in the method with the object of increasing that protection can be shown only by observation on man during the epidemic. The most important facts to be solved by such observations are the following :-- (1) Which are the doses necessary to produce in man a marked increase of resistance against the conditions of infection asthoy exist in nature? (2) How many days after injection is the highest resistance reached P (3) and how long the resistance will last? - Kan-

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Chief Manager. Hougkong, 13th February, 1897. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE TO SMARFHOLDERS. THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEET LING of SHAREHOLDERS will be nell at the Offices of the Commany, No. 14, Prava Control on MONDAY; The 22nd Feb. mary 1897, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1896, and of approving by resolution of the proposed pardiase of Hung-Ham Island Lots Nos. 171 and 172 and of the proposed extensions to Kowlson Marine Lot Nov 27 and to Hung Hain Marine Lot No. 1 on terms to

be stated. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Compuny will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd Fabruary, both days inclusive: By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE.

Hongles, 2nd February, 1897. HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NUAL GINERAL MEETING of will be hold afathe llegistered. Omcos of the Commany 38 and 40 Oncer's Road Central, on MONDAY, the 22nd inst., at Noon, for the purpose of sconning the Roport of the Governing Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year unding Slat The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 21th inst; both days inclusivo.

HART BUCK. Secretary. Hongkong, 11th February, 1897. THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO. LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THIE TENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL HEATING of SHAREHOLDERS in the inbove Contrant will be held at the I Pater, complete, with accessories for Billiards | Company's Office, No. d. Praya Contral, at 12 o clock (Moon), on TULSDAY, the 23rd Feb. If you went a new Ser or Cushions, or leary for the purpose of acceiving the Report if you want your aid Cusicions Renewed, of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to Sist. December, 1896. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 23rd

Echemary, bold days inclusive. EDWARD OSBORNE. Secretary. Honkkone, 9th February, 1397. HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CUMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. WHE TWENT LIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE HOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pednot's Street, on FRIDAY, the 20th day of February 1827, at 1240 of the clock in the afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st Docomber, 1896, and the Report of the General Munagers, and to chet a Consulting Committee and Auditors The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com

papy will be CLOSED from the 13th to the CANVAS Zoth February, both days inclusive... JAKHINE MATHESON & CO., General Managers. HONGRONG WIRE INSURANCE CO. LD. Hongkoog, 20th Jamery, 1897. HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED

> THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY A MEETING of SHANDHOLDERS will be led at the Company's Hotel on SA-TURDAY the 27th Esbrusry, of Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of Un Company to the 31st December, 1896, with the Pepert of the Directors, and to discuss any matters that may be competently brought before the Meeting The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th to the

G. MOONEY.

ANHE CERVIFICATE No. 4316, dated A ... 6th April 1895, for Eight Shares, Nos. 8,018/8,019 and 12,704/12,709, in this Company, standing in the name of THE RIGHT REVEREND DOM ANTONIO JOAQUIM DE MEDERIOS EISHOP OF MACAO. as "PRESIDENTE DA COMMISSÃO ADMINISTRATIVA DE COFRE DOS I'OBRES," has been LOST, and if at the Expiration of ONE MONTH from the date berrof the above dooment be not fortheoming another Cortificate will be issued by the Com. juny, and thereafter no other will be acknow

GEO. L. TOMLIN. Acting Secretary, Hongkong, 26th January, 1897.

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Hongkong, 13th February, 1897. HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1897.

YO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the RACECOURSE during the Race Days without Tickets, which can be had on application to the Undersigned. Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 13th February, 1897.

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MARITIMES. EAHE Company's Steamers hitherto calling at BOMBAY on their way home wil CEASE calling there until further notice. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

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Hongkong, 11th February, 1897. CTOCKHAUSEN DRAPER, MILLINEE, DRESS AND MANTLE 28, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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For "THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY." J. R. CAPELL, -- Manuger Hongkong, 80th January, 1897

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The C. P. steamer Empress of Japan, from Vancouver, B.C., arrived at Yokohama on Mon, day, the 15th instant at 8 a.m. and left at 4 p m-same day for Hongkong via Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai. ON SHANGHAL .-The E. & A. steamer Menmuir, from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 12th instant for ON YOROHAMA.this port. On Manila.--The N. P. steamer Tacoma left Tacoma on the 30th ultimo for this port via Japan. DN SINGAPORE.— The P. & O. steamer Candia left, Bombay for this port on the 7th instant. The P. & O. steamer Hydaspes left Singapore

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Hongkong Observatory, 15th February, 1897.

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HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

16th to 22nd February.

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for this port on the 11th inst. at 6 p.m. The N. P. steamer Braemar left Yokokama on the Slat ultime for Hongkong via ports of call. [\$343.75, ex div. b. The N. P. steamer Victoria left Tacoma on the 6th instant, for this port via usual ports of call.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE PERMIT

The M. M. steamer McZbourne, with the

French mail of the 15th ult. left Saigon on

Monday, the 15th instent, at 2 p.m., and may

be expected here on or about Wednesday, the

17th instant. This Pecket brings replies to

letters despatched from Hongkong on 9th

THE AMERICIN MAIL.

The P. M. steamer City of Rio de Janeira,

with the American mail of 23rd ultime, left

Yokohama on Wednesday the 10th instant, at

daylight, and may be expected here on or about. Thursday, the 18th instant.

The O. & O. steamer Gaelie, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu,

Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobs, Nagasaki, and

THE CANADIAN MAIL

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

MERCHANT STRAMERS.

Shanghai, on the 2nd instant.

December.

. The C. M. steamer Colony, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 26th ult, and may be considered due at Singapore £8 \$261, males & sellers on or about the 13th instant. The C. M. S. N. Co.'s steemer Ningchow, from Liverpool and Newport, left Singapore on to 9th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 15th instant. The steamer Sikh left Singapore on the 11th

instant and is due here on or about the 17th The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Inion, from Liverpool, left Singapore on Friday, the 12th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 18th instant. The D. D. R. steamer Irene, from Hamburg,

left Singapore on Saturday, the 13th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 18th instant. The N. G. I. steamer Letimbro left Bombay on the 8th instant, and may be expected here on. \$125 233 p. cl. prem. == [\$416.25, buyers or about the 28th instant. PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD-15th January Breconshire Teen-Teai. 19th January-Dardanus; 22nd Jan. uary- Palawan, Aga. 26th January.- Agamemnon, Melbourns, Deike Kickmers, Normandie. 29th Jan-Melpomene, Oceana Keelong, St. Andrews, 2nd February Aglaia, Ernest Simons, Cyrus, Dordogne, Glaucus, 5th February—Ceylon, Hector, Kanagawa Maru, 9th February—Glenavon, Monclaus, Helen Rickmers. 12th Feb .-Anapa, Gaudalquiver Homeward-9th February-Glengarry. 12th

Feb.—Sunda.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES. PEAR DELIVERY closes at Post Office at 11.30 g.m. and 3 p.m. or in Letter Boxes in the Cars by 12 and 3.80 o'clock Trams. Letter Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

The Postal Guide for 1896, revised to date will be found in the Chronicle und Directory, P. XIX. This is the only authorised complete Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong.

The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is corrected to a much later hour than that given below. A MAIL, WILL CLOSE. For Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbans. Sydney and Melbourne.-Per Omi Maru, today, the 16th instant, at 3.30 P.M. For Hoihow and Pakhoi -- Per Aslo, to day, the 16th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Haiphong.—Per Hongkong, to-morrow, the 17th instant, at 9.30 A.M. For Bangkok -- Per Chow Fa, to-morrow, the 17th instant at 9.30 AM. For Singapore, Colombo and Bombay-Per Milke Mark, to morrow, the 17th instant, at 10.00 A.M. For Kobe.—Per Taimen, on Thursday, the 18th inst., at 11.30 A.M. For Moji, Kabe Yokohama, Honolulu and Seattle.—Per Sakura Maru, on Thursday, the 18th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per Lightning, on Saturday, the 20th instant, at For Singapore. Per Niote, on Saturday, the 20th instant, at 4.30 P.M. For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria B.C. and Tacoma.—Per Braemar, on Tuesday, the 23rd inst., at 11.30 A.M. For Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama. Per Verona, on Friday, the 26th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

PACKET. The Canadian Mail Packet Empress of India will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 17th instant, with Mails for Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., which will be closed as fel-10.00 a.m. Rogistry ceases. 11.00 A.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN

may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET The French Contract Packet Natal will e despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 17th instant, with Mails to the United Kingdom,

Europe, and places beyond, via Marseilles, to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Coylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies. Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Multa, and Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing the mails. &c. 8.00 A.M.-Posting of Prices Current and Cir-On the 14th at 11.20 a.m. The high pressure area has moved Eastward, and is now central over Japan. On the Chica Coast pressure is giving way rather quickly. Forecast—Fresh NR to E winds; fair.
On the 15th at 11.25 a.m. Pressure has decreased conculars ceases.

10.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and patterns ceases. 11.00 A.M.-Mail oloses. may be posted on board the Packet with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra postage until the time of departure.

10.00 A.M.—Registry coases.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet Coptic will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 23rd inst. with mails for Shanghai, Japan, San Francisco,

the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:— 4 r.m. Registry ceases. 5 P.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late. Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

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F. G. FIGG, First Assistant. MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET. The British Contract Packet Raventna will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 25th MESSES. FALCONER & CO.'S RECISTER, 15th Feb. inst, with Mails for the United Kingdom. Barometer 9 A.M. .. 30.05 Therm. 9 A.M. (Wethulb) 58 Barometer 1 P.M. .. 30.10 Therm. 1 P.M. (Wethulb) 61 Europe, and countries beyond, via Brindisi; to the. Straits Settlements, Notherlands India, Burmah, Barometer 4 P.M. 29.95 Therm. 4 P.M. (Wetbulb) 01 Thermom. 9 A.M. .. 61 Thermi. Maximum 64 Ceylon, Adon: Egypt, Maits, and Gibraltar. 8.00 A.M. -- Posting of Prices Current and Ciroulars ceases. Thermom, 4 r.M. .. 64 night)................................. 57

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"BRAEMAR," will be despatched hence for VICTORIA, Captain Porter, sailing at Noon, en TUESDAY, the 23rd instant, will proceed KOBE and YOKOHAMA. TO MORROW to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash. via KOBE and YOKOHAMA. Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan. Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE, and Pacific Coast Points, and to Capadian and

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U.S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY

YIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO Y (v. Shangbai, Nagasabi, Tuesday, Mar.

Kobo, Inland Sea, Yoko [1897, at Noon. liama, and Honolulu) CITY OF PEKING (via) Shanghai, "Nagasaki, (Tuesday, Mar. 23, Kobe, Inland Sea, and [1897, at Noon. Crina (via Shanghai) Nogasaki, Robe, In Tuesday, April 13, land Son, Yokohamu, [1897, at NOON.

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1892 ASIATIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED FIRE Undersigned, having been appointed

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TO LET. 56 BARNSEOOT, UPPER RICHMOND ROAD. With Immediate Possession. Apply to VICTOR H. DEACON. Hongkong, 20th January, 1897.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

HONGKONG. STEAMERS. Albingia, German steamer, 1,193, Witt, Peb. 6, Altmore, British str., 1,497, Watson, Jan. 20,

Shewan, Tomes & Co-Amoy, German steamer, 663. Wulff, Jan. Ask, Danish steamer, 654, H. Hygom, Feb. 14, A. R. Marty [1432 Belgie, British steamer, 2,625, Rinder, Jan. 28, O. & O. S. S. Co Benvenue, British str., 1,468, Sarchet, Feb. 14, Gibb, Livingston & Co Bombay, British str., 2,047. Weston, Feb. 13, P. & O. S. N. Co Chingtu British etcamer, 1,459, Innes, Eeb. 15, Butterfield & Swire Chowfa, British str., 1,055, Williamson, Fob. 8, Yuen Fat Hong Clara, German steamer, 675, Ipland, Feb. 11, Johsen & Co Coptic, British steamer, 2,744, Scalby, Feb. 13, O. & O. S. S. Co Cosmopolit, German str., 575, Holtz, Jan. 30, Wieler & Co Empress of India, Brit. str., 3,003, Marshall, Jan. 26, C. P. R. Co Fatshan, British str., 1,425, R. L. Blight, H., C. & M. Steamboat Co. for Canton Fausang, British str., 1,410, Moncur, Feb. 14, Jardino, Matheson & Co Hankow, British str., 2,235, Dick, Butterfield & Swire for Canton Henngshan, British str., 1.054, W. E. Clarke, H. C. & M. Steamboat Co., for Macao Hongkong, French str., 739, Scotte, Feb. 14, A. R. Marty

Jacob Christonsen, Norw. str., 1,088, Hansen, Jan. 21, Melchers & Co Kalgan, British str., 1,150 Camaghan, Feb. 15, Butterfield & Swire Kinnguan Chinese st. 1,317, Inokay, Feb. 12, C. M. S. N. Co Kweiyang, Brit. str., 1,060, Ontorbridge, Feb. 11. Butterfield & Swire Lightning, British str. 2,124, Spence, Feb. 18, D. Sussoon, Sons & Co. Milke Maru, Jap. str., 2,053, Going, Feb. 15, Nippon Yuson Knisho Monmonthshire, Brit str., 1,871, Evans, Feb. 5, Shewan, Tomes & Co.) Nanchang, Brit. str., 1,062, Finlayson, Dec. 17, Butterfield & Swire

Natal, French steamer, 1,984, Chevalier, Feb. 15, Messageries Maritimes Omi Maru, Jap. str., 1,533, Young, Feb. 14, Nippon Yusen Kaisha Pasig, British str., 284, Chinese, for Canton Paoting, British steamer, 1,088, Giles, Feb. 15, Butterfield & Swire Sakura Maru, Jap. str., 1,830, Brady, Feb. 13, Nippon Yusen Kaisha Tallee German steamer, 828, Calender, Feb. 14, Taksang, British steamer, 977, Sellar, Feb. 14, Jardine, Matheson & Co Taiyuan, British str., 1, 159, Nelson, Jan. 28, Butterfield & Swire Wieler & Co

Tamarind, Norw. str., 739, Dannevig, Feb. 9, Tetarios, German str., 1,812. Cornelsen, Feb. 7, Siemssen & Co Thales, British steamer, 820, Donglas, Feb. 14, Donglas Lapraik & Co Triumph, German str., 674, Moller, Feb. 15, Tobsen & Co BAILING VESSELS. Bylgia, German bk., 333, Mangelsdorff, Feb. 4,

Coloma, American bark, 814, Noyes, Jan. 17, Eurydice, British ship, 1,154, Knox, Feb. 4, Fred. P. Litchfield, Amr. bark, 991, Hardy, John R. Kelley, Amr. ship, 2,255, Chapman, Jan. 23, Standard Oil Co. Queen Victoria, British ship, 1,587, Logia, Feb. Rickmer, Rickmers, Ger. ship, 1,914, Ahlers, Feb. 3. Order Santa Cruz, Amr. sch., 120, O'Koefe, Jan. S, Sumbawa, British bark, 1,66, Reliberg, Dec. 27. Shewan, Tomes & Co Porrisdale, Brit. 4-m. bk., 2,184, Buchanan, Feb. 6. Standard Oil Co West York, British bark, 688, Davis, Oct. 18,

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON. Æolus, cruiser, 22 guis, 7,000 li.p., Captain B. L. Groome, at Hongkong Alacrity, despatch-boat, 10 guns, 3,000 h.p., Com F. G. de Lislo, at Saigon en ronte Archer, craiser, 14 gans, 3,500 h.p., Comd. C. E. Kingsmill, at Yokohama Centurion, flagship, 41 guns, 13,000 h.p., Capt. S. H. Login, at Hongkong Daphne, sloop, 14 guns, 2,000 h.p., Com. Mac. Arthur of Manila Fish gun-vessol, 3 guns, 340 h.p., Lient Com H.P. Barton, at Ichnog Firebrand, gun-vessel, 6 guns, 360 h.p., Liout. Com. V. Mand, at Hongkong Grafton, protected cruiser, 36 guns, 7,350 h.p., Copt E. P Jones, at Hongkong NTOS 2 and 3, STEWART TERRACE Hondy, torpedo-bent destroyer, 6 gnus, 4,000 hp. Lieut. A. Gillespie, at Hougkong Hart, torpedo hoat destroyer, 6 gans, 4,000 l.p., Lient H. F. Shakespear, at Hougkong 19 Humber, storeship, Capt Frank W. Wyley, at Lumortalité, armoured erniser, 34 guns, 8,500 h.p., Capt. Ed. Chichester, at Hongkong Tabuet, gun vessel 6 guns, 870 h.p., Com. R. C. Spatkes, at Tientein Naroissus, armoured craiser, 34 grans, 8,500 h.p., Capt. W.C.C. Forsyth, at Nagasaki Poncock, gunboat, 8 guns, 1,200 b.p., Liout. Com St. John, at Nagasaki Pigmy, gunboat, 8 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut.
Com. C. J. T. Dormer, at Hongkong
Pique, cruiser, 22 guns, 7,000 h.p., Capt. A. C. Corry at Singapore Do Horsey, at Shanghai

Plover, gunbont, 9 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lient.-Com. Porpoise, cruiser, 14 guns, 3,500 h.p., Com. F. R. Pelly at Hongkong Rainbow, cruiser, 12 gans, 7,000 hp., Capt. W. C.C. Forsyth, at Singapore Rattler, gunbent, 8 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut. Hon. G A Hardinge, at Hongkong Redpole, gunboat, 8 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut. Com. E. H. Grafton, at Haukow Solent, torpedo mining launch, at Hongkong Spartan, orniser, 22 guns, 7,000 h.p., Capt. Alfred L. Winsice, at Hongkong Swift, gunbout, 8 guns, 870 h.p., Capt. Mc-Alpine, at Manila Tweed, gun-vessel, 8 guns, 340 h.p., at Hong-Indounted, armoured cruiser, 3 k gans, 8,500 k.p., Capt. Hallifax, at Yokolmon Victor Emanuel, receiving ship, 20 guns, Commodore Hollond, at Hongkong Wivers, coast defence ship, armoured, 10 guns, 1,000 h.p., at Hengkong

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